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The county of Los Angeles recognizes the significant personal and economic toll fire takes on its citizens and understands that safety measures can significantly cut the risk of fire.

Practicing home escape plans, installing and testing smoke alarms, and hunting for home hazards, have been proven an effective lifesaver, having helped to cut the home fire death rate by one half since their introduction to the general public.

When fire strikes, every second counts! Knowing how to react quickly and correctly can mean the difference between life and death. Every fire safety team begins at home and with firefighters and other first responders; we hope to make that team effort a reality, ensuring that families are more prepared than ever to prevent or survive a home fire.

The Fire Prevention Month 2011 theme, "It's Fire Prevention Week – protect your family from fire," is an important message for all citizens of the County of Los Angeles.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim October 2011 as Fire Prevention Month throughout Los Angeles County and encourage the people of the County of Los Angeles to remember to focus on safety lessons that can be learned by such as installing, inspect and testing your smoke alarms, practicing home escape plans, and search the home for fire hazards during Fire Prevention Month, October 2011.

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